

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, South Dakota was founded by pioneers who demonstrated their endurance, tenacity, and perseverance time and again and who embodied the words neighbor and friend; and,

*Whereas*, Jerry Thomsen has devoted his life to the betterment of his family, friends, and the Mitchell community, the day-to-day giving and loving which makes South Dakota a great state in which to live and work; and,

*Whereas*, Jerry has demonstrated an enormous commitment to the people of South Dakota by serving on numerous state and local boards; and,

*Whereas*, Jerry has demonstrated creativity, persistence, and dedication in acquiring the land, designing the school, and spearheading the raising of funds to build the Mitchell Christian School; and,

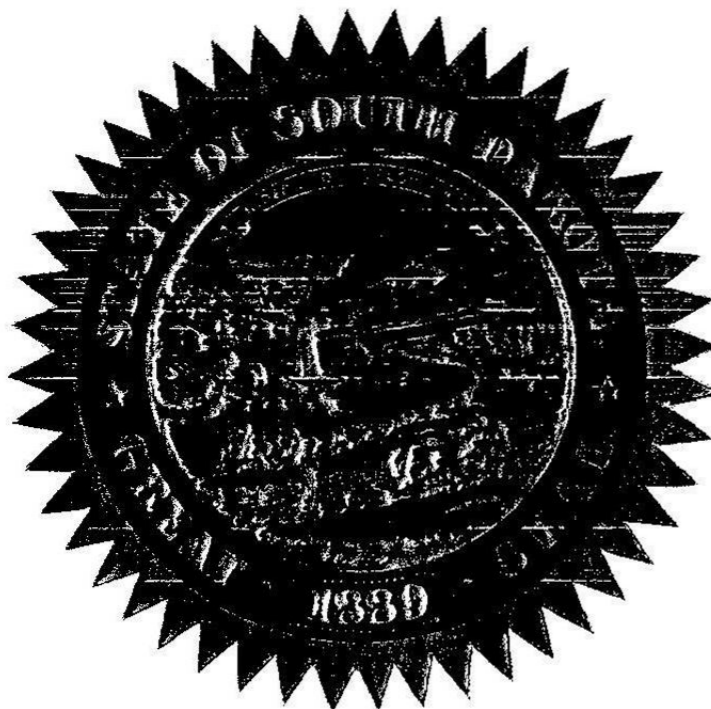
*Whereas*, God chose Jerry and gave him the vision, energy, and leadership needed for turning the dream of the new Mitchell Christian School into the reality it is today and used him in a mighty way to promote education, training, and moral support for the precious children of our state; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as governor to commend Jerry for his unselfish dedication and outstanding service for the betterment of South Dakota and the community of Mitchell:

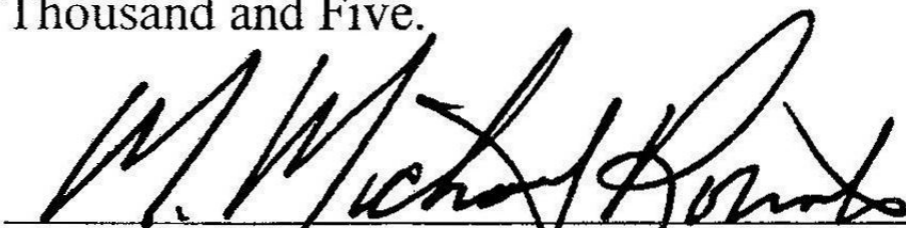
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 21, 2005, as

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in South Dakota, and I join the community of Mitchell in recognizing him on his accomplishments.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State